Opening up of Institutes in Tamil Nadu

4032. SHRI S. ANBALAGAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government proposes to open any new Central University, National Institute of Technology and Indian Institute of Management in Tamil Nadu; and

(b)if so, the details thereof, including the time by when they are proposed to be set up and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATID. PURANDESWARI): (a) and (b)The Eleventh Five Year Plan, approved by the National Development Council, includes, *inter-alia,* the setting up of two Central universities, including one aiming at achieving world class standards, and one Indian Institute of Management in Tamil Nadu.

Private sector participation in higher education

4033. SHRI JESUDASU SEELAM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Minister has finally agreed to a public-private partnership and increased private sector participation in higher education;

(b) if so, whether UGC, has developed an action plan/strategy, which acknowledges the need for a policy for involving private sector in financing higher education, and has also stressed the need to ensure quality; and

(c) if so, the concrete measures and steps the Ministry is considering to take for greater private sector participation in higher education?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI): (a) There is currently no bar to private participation in the Education sector. The National Policy on Education, 1986 (as modified in 1992) encourages non-governmental and voluntary effort in Education, while preventing the establishment of institutions which intend to commercialize Education. The Policy envisages that "in the interest of maintaining standards and for several other valid reasons, the commercialization of technical and professional education will be curbed. An alternative system will be devised to involve private and voluntary effort in this sector of Education, in conformity with accepted norms and goals". There is already not for profit private investment in all sectors of education and the share of such private investment is progressively growing, starting from Primary to Higher and Technical Education.

(b) and (c) According to the information furnished by the University Grants Commission (UGC), UGC has constituted a Committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. K.B. Power, former Secretary General of Association of Indian Universities, to formulate an Action Plan for identifying various modes of public-private participation to promote Higher Education.

Target under SSA

4034. SHRI AMIR ALAM KHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some State Governments have failed to accomplish the targets fixed under the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and

(c) the action being taken by Government for accomplishing these targets?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMD. ALIASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) The Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) programme is being implemented in all districts of the country to achieve the goal of universalisation of elementary education (UEE) in a time bound manner, in mission mode. State-wise details of achievements made against key targets fixed under the SSA during the Tenth Five year Plan is given in the Statement *(See* below). Under the SSA uncompleted targets are rolled over to the next financial year, till completed.

A rigorous system of monitoring of the SSA has been put in place which includes, *inter alia,* monthly and quarterly progress reports and review mettings, furnishing of computerized annual elementary school statistics, field level monitoring by 41 independent monitoring institutions and six monthly independent reviews by experts and external funding agencies., to track the programme.

Statement

State-wise details of targets and achievements under SSA during Tenth Five Year Plan

SI. No.	Name of the State	Additional Class rooms'		Teachers		Opening of Schools	
		Sanction inXthPlan	Progress in Xth Plan	Sanction in in Xth Plan	Progress in Xth Plan	Sanction in Xth Plan	Progress in Xth Plan
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	A & N Islands	143	54	63	46	13	7
2	Andhra Pradesh	27224	26496	36300	36300	7011	8265
3	Arunachal	1158	1154	2924	2166	1046	545
4	Assam	39995	21401	5410	3871	0	0
5	Bihar	87627	82444	184081	154863	23687	22449
6	Chandigarh	94	14	785	240	16	6
7	Chhattisgarh	7816	7932	50786	36242	15518	15518
8	Dadra & N.	256	243	750	665	120	57
9	Dam & Diu	11	11	66	63	12	0
1	Delhi	903	903	20	0	2	2
1	Goa	136	41	195	186	8	5
1	Gujarat	14270	13775	1848	1662	831	101
1	Haryana	10126	11158	6104	6074	1993	1993
1	Himachal	7438	7183	2994	2670	998	890
1	Jammu &	5572	5086	16976	15660	6156	6302
1	Jharkhand	30120	25115	83709	69385	24000	22919
1	Karnataka	28390	28396	16395	13457	8483	5708
1	Kerala	5778	5778	248	0	139	0
1	Lakshadweep	10	0	13	0	6	0

2	Madhya	37052	35792	90477	80316	49990	38385
2	Maharashtra	35450	33265	1236	1236	1163	685
2	Manipur	698	371	123	0	164	0
2	Meghalaya	1039	1018	6543	2500	3151	2560
2	Mizoram	361	271	898	578	317	168
2	Nagaland	2289	2324	168	0	56	0
2	Orissa	15121	15095	64734	62483	494	9174
2	Puducherry	264	0	30	0	40	0
2	Punjab	13702	13394	3070	1868	1093	1093
2	Rajasthan	40982	41064	86516	31433	37118	15342
3	Sikkim	403	204	468	377	87	45
3	Tamil Nadu	21922	21922	18866	8686	5160	4424
3	Tripura	1251	1251	3311	3147	1348	1282
3	Uttar Pradesh	175898	172916	233583	223787	28006	27634
3	Uttarakhand	3734	3587	4532	4241	1724	1426
3	West Bengal	75445	70784	87881	303333	8122	0
	TOTAL:	692678	650442	1012103	794535	240072	186985

Grants to Central Universities

4035. SHRI AMIR ALAM KHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the grants given to various Central universities during the last two years, university-wise;

(b) the purpose for which the said grants were spent, alongwith the unspent amount;

(c) the courses updated and new courses introduced by each university during the said period; and

(d) the guidelines and directions issued to each university in this regard and the responses received thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRMATID. PURANDES WARI): (a) and (b) Based on the information furnished by the University Grants Commission (U0C), a Statement.indicating Central University-wise General Development (Plan) Grant released during the last two years, *viz* 2006-2007 and 2007-08 and the unspent amount as on 1st January, 2008 is attached *(See* below). The General Development (Plan) Grants are utilized by the Universities for buildings, campus development, equipments, staff, books and journals.

(c) and (d) Each Central University is empowered, *inter-alia,* to provide for instruction in such branches of learning as the University may, from time to time, determine as also to take such steps as may be deemed appropriate for improvement in academic standards—no centralized data in this behalf is maintained.